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State Connecticut }
 County of Fairfield } ss.

Your petitioner, DONALD SAMUEL KAPLAN,
 being sworn, deposes and says that he is a citizen of the United States and a resident
 of Ridgefield, in the County of Fairfield,
 and State of Connecticut, that he verily believes him self to be the
 original, first and sole inventor of the invention for

**SURGICAL SUTURES DERIVED FROM SEGMENTED POLYETHER-ESTER BLOCK
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referred to in the attached petition and described and claimed in the annexed specification;
 that he does not know and does not believe that the same was ever known or used in the
 United States before his invention or discovery thereof, or patented or described in any
 printed publication in any country before his invention or discovery thereof or more than one
 year prior to his application, or in public use or on sale in the United States for more than
 one year prior to his application; that said invention has not been patented or made the
 subject of an inventor's certificate in any country foreign to the United States on an application filed
 by him or his legal representatives or assigns more than twelve months prior to
his application in the United States; that he acknowledges his duty to disclose
 information of which he is aware which is material to the examination of this application; that no
 application for patent or inventor's certificate on said invention has been filed by him or his
 representatives or assigns in any country foreign to the United States, except as follows:

NONE

Donald Samuel Kaplan
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Sworn to and subscribed before me this 17th day of August, 19 78.

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Mary Ann Pascuzzi
 Notary Public
MARY ANN PASCUZZI
 NOTARY PUBLIC
 MY COMMISSION EXPIRES MARCH 31, 1979